

In the Claims:

- 1.(currently amended) A fragrance composition comprising ~~consisting of~~ particles of a dried emulsion, wherein said particles comprise ~~consist of~~ a matrix of a polymeric surfactant material, having dispersed therein liquid droplets of fragrance- containing oil.
- 2.(currently amended) A fragrance composition according to claim 1 wherein the polymeric surfactant is selected from the group consisting of:
 - I) Homopolymers , selected from polyvinyl compounds, such as poly (vinyl acetate), poly (vinyl alcohol) or poly (vinyl pyrrolidon); polycarboxylic acids, such as poly(acrylic acid) and poly(methacrylic acid); polysulfonic acids, such as poly (styrene sulfonic acid); polyesters, such as glycol polyacrylate; polyamides, such as poly (acryl amide); polyurethanes, such as polyurethane that contain ionic groups, such as carboxylic acid, sulfonic acid or tertiary amines; or a polyurethane that contains nonionic hydrophilic groups, such as ethylene oxide; poly (ethylene oxide), poly(propylene oxide) and polyalkylene glycol derivatives;
 - II) polycondensates, such as ethoxylated phenol, formaldehyde resins, sulfonated aromatic formaldehyde resins, urea or melamine, formaldehyde compounds, polyamide, polyamine, and epichlorohydrin resins;
 - III) AB copolymers wherein A is a more water-soluble or water swellable moiety and B is a less water-soluble or water-swellable moiety selected from styrene copolymers, such as styrene-acrylic acid polymers or styrene-ethylene oxide polymers, copolymers of polyvinyl and maleic acid compounds, such as styrene, maleic anhydride polymers or vinyl acetate, maleic acid ester polymers,

polyvinyl - polyalkylene copolymers, such as vinyl acetate - ethylene polymers, ethylene - acrylic acid - acrylic acid ester polymers or ethylene - acrylic acid - acrylonitrile polymers, vinyl copolymers, such as vinyl acetate polymers, acrylic acid - acrylonitrile polymers, acrylic acid - acryl amide polymers;

- IV) ABA block copolymers selected from polymers wherein for "A" water-soluble or water-swellaable moieties such as poly(ethylene oxide), poly (vinyl alcohol), poly (acrylic amid), poly (acrylic acid), poly (vinyl pyrrolidon), or poly(caprolactone); and for "B" less water-soluble or sparingly water-soluble moieties such as poly (propylene oxide), poly (vinyl acetate), poly (vinyl butyral), poly (lauryl methacrylate), polystyrene , poly (hydroxystearic acid), polysiloxane,
- V) B(A)_n graft or comb polymers selected from for "A" from water-soluble or water-swellaable moieties such as vinyl alcohol, vinyl acetate, ethylene oxide, propylene oxide, vinyl sulphonates, acrylic acids and vinyl amines, "B" is selected from vinyl polymer chains or siloxane chains,
- VI) Natural polymeric emulsifiers such as cellulose derivatives, such as carboxymethylcellulose, hydroxypropylmethylcellulose, methylcellulose and other derivatives thereof.

3.(currently amended) A fragrance composition according to claim 1 or claim 2 wherein the polymeric surfactant is polyvinyl alcohol having a molecular weight of more than 10,000 Daltons and less than 40,000 Daltons.

4.(currently amended) A fragrance composition according to claim 3 wherein the polyvinyl alcohol has a degree of hydrolysis of between 70% and 100%.

5.(currently amended) A fragrance composition according to claim 1 wherein
~~any of the preceding claims absent any~~ polysaccharide emulsifying agents
are excluded from the fragrance compositions.

6.(currently amended) A fragrance composition according to claim 1 wherein
~~any of the preceding claims absent any~~ modified-starch emulsifying
agents are excluded from the fragrance compositions.

7.(currently amended) A fragrance composition according to claim 1 wherein
~~any of the preceding claims absent any~~ octenyl succinate-modified starch
emulsifying agents are excluded from the fragrance compositions.

8.(currently amended) A perfumed article containing a fragrance composition
according to claim 1 as defined in any of the preceding claims.

9.(currently amended) A perfumed article according to claim 8 wherein said
perfumed article it is a deodorant composition.

10.(currently amended) A perfumed article according to claim 8 wherein said
perfumed article it is a humidity absorber.

11.(original) A perfumed article according to claim 10 comprising calcium
chloride.

12.(currently amended) A perfumed article according to claim 8 wherein the
perfumed article it is a soap.

13.(currently amended) A process of encapsulating a fragrance material
comprising the steps step-of:

dispersing or emulsifying an oil phase containing fragrance material in a continuous phase consisting essentially of water and a polymeric surfactant according to claim 1 as defined above, and thereafter spray drying the emulsion to remove water.

14.(new) A fragrance composition consisting of particles of a dried emulsion, wherein said particles comprise a matrix of a polymeric surfactant material, having dispersed therein liquid droplets of fragrance- containing oil.

15.(new) A fragrance composition consisting of particles of a dried emulsion, wherein said particles consist of a matrix of a polymeric surfactant material, having dispersed therein liquid droplets of fragrance- containing oil.